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Applicant elects without traverse the claims of group I, methods of producing pluripotent stem cells from adult somatic cells, which includes claims 1-9. Applicant does not disclaim the non-elected subject matter and reserves the right to pursue the non-elected subject matter in another application.

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Claims 10-20 are cancelled. Applicant reserves the right to pursue those cancelled claims in another application.